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3D2, FIJI ISLANDS. Marcel, ON4QM, is expected to arrive September 5th, and if all goes well, he will be on the air from the Yasawa group as 3D2MD. This is just a start of a 3 month Pacific tour. He plans to travel to Tarawa in West Kiribati (T30), Tuvalu (T2), Niue (ZK2), Nauru (C2), Tokelau (ZK3) and the Republic of Tonga (from the Ha' Apai group using the call A35DM). Marcel will end his travels by returning back to Fiji before heading home.

Special note: Exotic full color cards are being printed soon for Marcel's S92QM operation from last May from both Sao Tome and Principe Islands. The cards will be processed upon Marcel's return from Fiji, supposedly at the end of November.

9K, KUWAIT. Bob, (N6BFM, 9K2ZZ et al) and his XYL are moving from their present QTH in A6 back to Kuwait City. He expects to have this move complete and be back on the air in 3-4 weeks. If possible, he expects to be vary active on 80 and 160 meters this winter. He is presently working on the backlog of QSLs from the special prefixes he previously used in Kuwait.

FR5ZU ADDRESS CORRECTION (According to the 256 DX Group). Jacques Quillet, P.O. Box 347, 1 Cite Meteo Chaudron, F-97494 Ste. Clotilde Cedex, Reunion Island, via France.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. ESDX (European Satellite DX-Fund) states Kuruja, JJ1ZNF, will sign JD1/JJ1ZNF/P for a new country on the satellites. The original sources (JA3GEP/DG6MGP) said this operation will take place at the end of August, while some other sources state it will be at the end of September. Nevertheless, Kuruja will stay on the island until the middle or end of November. The best hours to look for him are 1300-1400z and 2000-2100z.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. DX/Contest orientated club, OH1AF, will start to be active as OH1AF/OJ0 around October 6th and be on the air for about one week. They will be active on RTTY/CW/SSB: All bands, 6 meters, VHF/UHF (some OSCAR operation possible) and including the WARC bands. Special attention will be given to 28 and 50 MHz (Last chance for this sunspot cycle!). Two to three HF stations will be active. QSL routes: CW - OH1NOA and SSB - OH1EH.

RARE U.S. COUNTY. Richard, AH6IO, states that there will be a special event station on the Kalaupapa peninsula on November 13 through 15.

Activity will be on 160-6 meters with a possibility of a station on the hamsats as well. This is one of the rarest counties in the U.S. More info will be forthcoming.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI. Garry, NI6T, informs OPDX that a group of Northern California DXers and himself will operate from Christmas Island (OC-024), September 23-28. They plan to be active in the CQ WW RTTY Contest. Outside the contest, they will operate 160-10 meters, including the WARC bands, on SSB and CW. Calls include T32RA (KN6J), T32CW (NI6T), T32GV (W6OTC), T32RS (N6OXR), T32WS (WU6A), T32SS (KE6FV) and T32GG (KE6GG). T32RA will be used during the RTTy Contest. QSL home calls.

TT8, CHAD. There has been quite a bit of erroneous info printed about Ken, WA4OBO's trip to Chad. The following information is direct from Ken himself: Ken's trip had originally been planned to begin this week, but has been delayed due to several factors. It is now planned for mid October. He will leave between October 10th to 15th for 2-3 weeks with about 4 full days of operating around the time of the CQ WW SSB DX Contest. He will operate when he gets time from his job duties (consulting to the cotton industry there). He will operate 10-80 meters SSB with a Kenwood TS-450, Yaesu FT-990 and a SB-200 amp. Antennas are an R-5 vertical and a G5RV. His job will take him to Mondou and Sahr in the south and to N'Djamena in the north. He will be returning to Chad again in March for an additional 3 weeks.

V73, BIKINI ATOLL (MARSHALL ISLANDS). Richard, AH6IO, and Pat, NH6UY, will be active September 28 to October 8. Richard will be running 160-6 meters, while Pat will operate on the hamsats (mode A and J). Pat says he will be on or near 145.915 (downlink). Their callsigns will be V73IO (AH6IO) and V73UY (NH6UY). PLEASE NO BUREAU QSLs. QSL DIRECT to CBA.

VP8SSI CARDS. Tony, WA4JQS, reported at the New Orleans DX Convention that the VP8SSI cards have not yet been received from Japan. Labels are already printed. As the first shipment of cards arrive, they will be shipped by KA6V and AA6BB/7 within two days of their arrival.

VS6, HONG KONG. Tim, KJ4VH, hoped to operate from here, but scheduling conflicts got in the way and he was unable to operate. Tim was able to attend a local VS6 club meeting which had about 60 people in attendance. He learned that there are well over 1000 hams in VS6, however, most are VHF. Many have passed exams for higher classes of license that allow HF privileges, but they have no place to operate. (There are NO club stations.) Tim also reports that the government has begun to issue VR2 calls, but has backed off on this and will change all the VS6 callsigns to VR2 by the first of January.

XU, KAMPUCHEA. According to Antoine, F6FNU, he is the QSL Manager for the following stations who are part of a French contingent to the UN peace keeping forces: XU0NU, XU1NU and XU2NU.

YA5MM CARDS. Igor, UT4UX/YA5MM, has sent out a plea to NOT send QSL cards to his P.O. Box in Kiev. Approximately 95 percent of the envelopes have been opened or stolen. Send ONLY to: Todor Dikov, P.O. Box 321, Sofia

1000, Bulgaria. (This is the ONLY safe way.) He will be visiting Sofia at the end of September and will pick up all the cards at that time.

YX0AI QSL CARDS UPDATE. According to W2MIG, the QSL cards for the YX0AI operation have arrived in YV from the printer. The logs are not computerized, but they do have 3 copies of the logs and 3 separate teams are going to work on the cards. The YX0AI operation made about 30,000 QSOs.

ZK1, ZK2, COOK ISLANDS and Niue. Ron, ZL2TT, will be visiting the Cook Islands for one week from September 12 and should be active on 40/20/15 meters. His callsign is unknown at this time. From September 19, he will be active from Niue (ZK2). Again, callsign is unknown. QSL to Ron's CBA.

BAD NEWS..... According to the DXNS, the proposed DXpedition to KH1 (Baker & Howland) has to be postponed until the end of January or the end of March (Reason: Lack of operators was the major factor.).... QRZ DX reports QSL cards for the recent Glorioso Island DXpedition by DJ6SI and DJ8CR are not being accepted by the DXCC Desk. The Desk is reviewing Baldur's documentation because of some claims by another party stating that their operations were done from a boat, landing permission was not given, and they were improperly licensed..... JA2NQG and JA0GZ had to postpone there trip to Lord Howe Island (VK9L) until next February....

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